funds being distributed their resentment in regard to the funds being distributed to the State Governments under the modified Gadgil formula;

(b) the names of the State Governments which have submitted/suggested amendments and the details of the amendments suggested by them;

(c) whether the Government propose to hold talks with the State Governments in this regard; and

(d) if so, when and the progress made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b). Names of States requesting for changes in the modified Gadgil formula are given in the statement attached. By and large the States wanted special weightage to be given to factors such as economic backwardness distance from the national average of per capita income and Central investment as per capita tax effort etc.

(c) and (d). Yes, Sir. Any revision in the formula could be made only by the NDC of which Chief Minister are the members.

STATEMENT

Statement requesting for changes in the modified Gadgil formula for distribution of Central Assistance.

S.No.	State
1.	Andhra Pradesh
2.	Assam
3.	Bihar
4.	Gujarat
5.	Haryana
6.	Jammu & Kashmir
7.	Kerala
8.	Maharashtra
9.	Orissa
10.	Rajasthan
11.	Uttar Pradesh
12.	Tamil Nadu

Purchase of Super Computers

5711. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the countries from which Super Computers have been purchased during the last three years;

(b) the purpose for which these computers are being used; and

(c) the total expenditure incurred on their purchase?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (c). One Super Computer has been purchased from USA during the last three years. This is being used by the National Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasting. Ministry of Science & Technology, for medium range weather forecasting. The total cost of this Super Computer is Rs. 12.38 Crores approximately.